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## New Comment Submission

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A new comment has been submitted at [socotransmission.com](http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm).

### COMMENT

Meeting Attended:

I was not able to attend a meeting

Important Issues:

Land Use (Agriculture, Residential, Recreation), Water Resources (Floodplains, River Crossings), Historic and Cultural Sites, Noise, Health and Safety, Biological Resources, Visual / Aesthetic Resources, Other, Proximity to Residences

OTHER: East Hatchet Ranch Homeowner consensus

Property Uses:

Residential, Conservation Easement

Comment:

I have contacted the East Hatchet Ranch Homeowner's Association a couple days ago to find out what our position is on the addition of transmission lines but have not heard back yet. Many of the board members have full time jobs outside of their homeowner's association duties. We just had our annual meeting in July and, though my husband and I couldn't attend, I didn't see the transmission line issue on the agenda nor had I heard of it before receiving a letter in the mail a few days ago. Our next meeting will not be til next July. Since many of us have recently been contacted, I think it would be fair to allow our group more time to come to a consensus on this issue. The addition of transmission lines can be a serious detriment to our property values and lifestyles, not to mention that of the abundant wildlife that live here including elk, pronghorn, hawks, owls, bobcats, fox, coyote and other animals that share this beautiful part of Colorado with us.

I have also contacted the Division of Wildlife to find out how the determination was made that the East Hatchet Ranch area is not a critical wintertime habitat for wildlife - all of the homeowners and property owners would disagree that this is not the case - it does appear that the western side of Hatchet is designated to be critical to wildlife during the entire year. We have seen elk prints in the snow on our property this past winter, for example. I believe that the Division of Wildlife would revise their opinion if they had the funds to research the wildlife in our area. Again, if we had more time to come together to form an opinion, it would be better for all and very much appreciated.

thank you.

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### I-260-001: Socioeconomic Resources (In Review)

Your email/letter/comment form has been received and your comment noted. Potential impacts to social and economic resources from the proposed project and mitigation measures will be addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement.

The Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be completed in late 2010 and will be available at <http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm>.

### I-260-002: Wildlife (In Review)

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The Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be completed in late 2010 and will be available at <http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm>.

### I-260-003: Wildlife (In Review)

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The Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be completed in late 2010 and will be available at <http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm>.

### I-260-004: Public Involvement Process (In Review)

Your email/letter/comment form has been received and your comment noted. The project is in the planning and environmental review stages. Current project information will be available on the RUS project website, <http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm> and the Utilities' project

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